LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL BOARDS.

(Nos. 658 to 678.)

SUBJECT No. 658.

Union Panchayets to elect a Taluk Board member.

Messrs. Dhalappa, T. Ramaswami Iyengar and Narasimhaiya, Anekal taluk.

Summary of Representation.—The privilege of electing a member for the Taluk Board may be conferred on the Union Panchayets.

SUBJECT No. 659.

Appointment of an Assistant Engineer to the District Board.

Mr. Narayanasami Chetty, Kolar District Board.

Summary of Representation.—To execute the work of Municipal and District Boards, an Assistant Engineer with a staff of overseers, etc., may be sanctioned as proposed by the District Board. If this proposal is sanctioned the appointment of Sanitary Inspectors will become superfluous.

SUBJECT No. 660.

An Engineer for local fund works.

Messrs. C. Vamana Rao, N Subba Rao and Mylarappa, Nagar taluk.

Summary of Representation.—Considering the financial condition of the District Boards the present system of executing local fund works by the agency of the Public Works department is well suited.

The appointment of a separate establishment for the purpose would be inconvenient.

SUBJECT No 661.

Patels and shanbhogs to be *ex-officio* members of municipalities.

Mr. Kalegowda, Yedatore taluk.

Summary of Representation.—Patels and shanbhogs should be appointed *ex-officio* members of municipalities. These persons being well aware of the circumstances of the locality are better able to offer suggestions.

SUBJECT No. 662.

Selection of members in minor municipalities by election.

Mr. Volahatti Devappa, Gundlupet taluk.

Summary of Representation.—The nomination of members to minor municipalities is made on the recommendation of the Amildars. This procedure makes the members diffident to express their opinions freely. If the members are elected by the taxpayers, there will be improvement of municipal administration. This subject was represented last year in the Assembly. It is prayed that the citizens be given the right of electing the members.

SUBJECT No. 663.

Municipal Councillors to be permitted to address official communications on Government service.

Mr. P. Venkappiah, Shimoga municipality.

Summary of Representation.—It would be inconvenient for municipal councillors to personally deliver official communications addressed to Presidents and Vice-Presidents of municipalities. They may therefore be permitted to address official communications to them on Government service.

SUBJECT No. 664.

Pay of the District Fund officials.

Messrs. Dhalappa, T. Ramaswami Iyengar and Narasimhaiya, Anekal taluk and Puttappa, Bangalore District Board.

Summary of Representation.—It is prayed that arrangements may be made for payment of the salaries of the District Fund establishment in the same manner as the Revenue establishment. The present system of payment on cheques issued by the Presidents entails considerable delay.